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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT

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: Intelligence Security Leaks

REFERENCE

: 20 August 1971 Memorandum, same Subject from Curator, Historical Intelligence Collection to Director, Central Reference Service

- 1. I certainly agree that the suggestion made by Walter Pforzheimer in the referenced memorandum is most worthwhile, but I disagree with your recommendation that a central repository of "leak" information should be the responsibility of the Office of Security, at least as it is presently constituted.
- 2. The establishment of such a data base would require Agency-wide cooperation, with the contributing activities submitting comments, evaluations, and where appropriate, damage assessments to give the items meaning in the intelligence sense.
- 3. The Office of Security will, as always, participate when and as required in the investigation of any disclosure, attempting both to fix responsibility and take remedial steps if warranted. It is my opinion, however, that the establishment

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and mainteance of a central data base on this subject logically falls within the purview of your Directorate where it would become an effective tool for use by your analysts in their evaluations and reporting of the majority of unauthorized disclosure cases.

Howard J. Osborn Director of Security

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